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A GRAVE DANGER THREATENS US

Spring Valley Company Building a 200 Foot Earth Dam on the Calaveras Creek

The danger that must ever hang over the heads of the people of this section as a result of the building of the big Caleveras dam above us is not realized by many of our people. Aside from the fact that it is intended to capture at once fully fifty per cent of the flood waters of the Alameda Creek and thus prevent the replenishment of the wells, the physical menace to both the lives and property of our people is a matter of the most serious concern. The pictures presented in this article give some inkling of the work that is being done. The main picture showing the dam shows the progress of the work. It is about one-fourth of the height it is to be when finished. When completed the dam will be 200 feet high. The dam is being built of earth. When filled with a body of water 200 feet deep and backing up for miles, the destruction that awaits this valley should it ever break is terrifying to imagine. When one considers the narrow gorge all the way from the dam to Niles it can easily be seen that if it should break the full fury of the huge flood it would release would be stored in the canyon until it struck Niles. What it would do to Niles and the surrounding country ought to be evident to even a child. Those who have seen Alameda Creek on a rampage during a high flood and have watched it eat into its bank and sweep things before it can well imagine what would happen if the big Calaveras dam should break. Such a catastrophe would do more damage in a few hours than our people could ever repair.

That there is a real danger as a result of the methods of construction of the dam is revealed in the picture that shows the present temporary outlet of the dam blown open with dynamite in order to afford a greater outlet during one of the periods of high water last winter. Then the dam was only thirty feet high. By the time the coming winter floods are due the dam will be sixty feet high and the danger greatly increased. Suppose the outlet should prove inadequate to carry off the flood waters and the water should flow over the dam. Why the dirt fill would melt away like sand! But it may be said that when the dam is finished a large enough outlet will be built. That will not prevent the danger during the coming winter.

And even shoud the dam be built without accident there is another fact to be kept in mind. It is built in an earthquake section. It lies along the line of an earthquake fault. In the big earthquake of 1906 the whole Calaveras section was violently shaken. Suppose the line of an earthquake fault should pass across the big earth fill when the dam was full of water! It is liable to do so. One of the Spring Valley dams (San Andreas) had an earthquake fault pass along the very end of the dam in the earthquake of 1906.

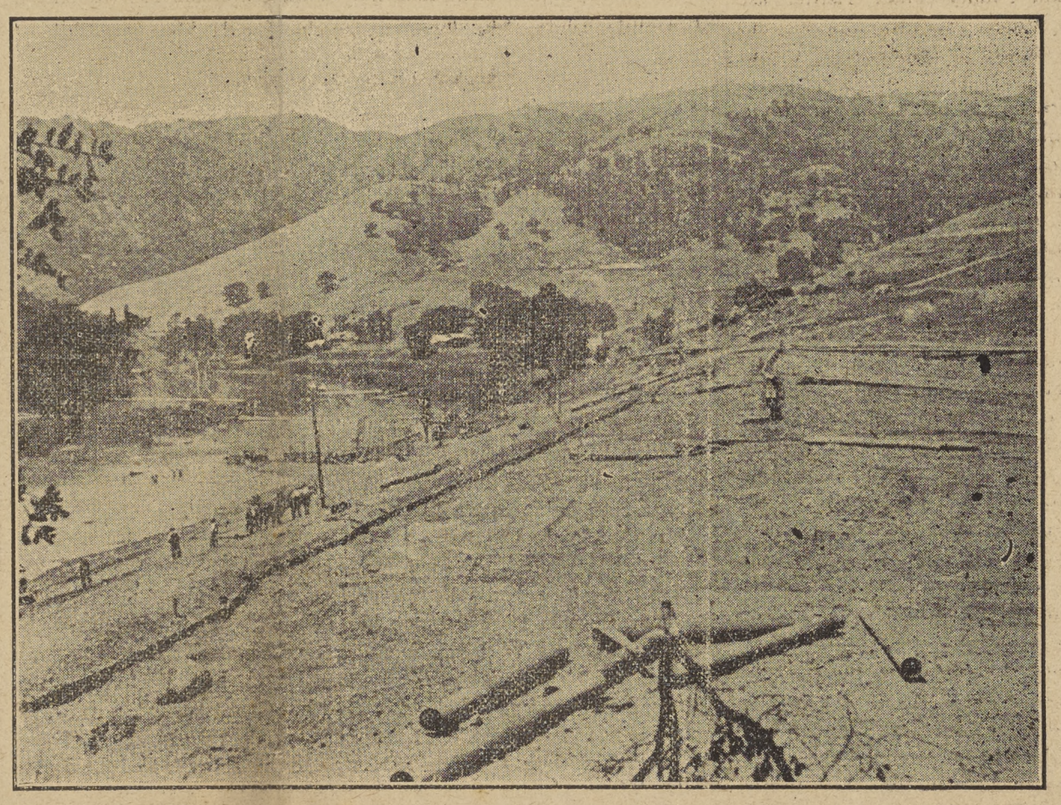
The whole plan of construction of the dam is of Spring Valley origin. There has been no governmental supervision of any kind. The big corporation is building the dam to suit itself. The dam when completed will be a monster affair. It catches the floods from the Mt. Hamilton region where warm rains coming upon a fall of snow produce floods which rise with exceeding rapidity and are of great volume. It lies above a populous, wealthy section. Surely the time to thoroughly safeguard this valley is now, before the actual danger of last winter is multiplied. It would be worse than criminal not to do anything and everything to protect the lives and property of this valley.

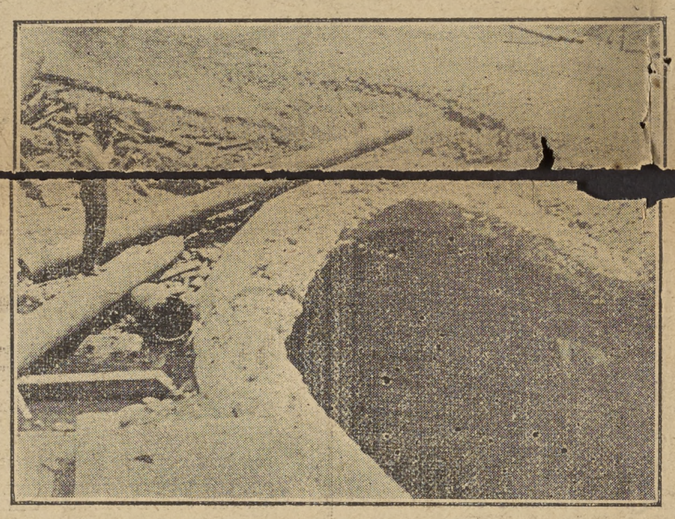
Every possible governmental agency which can be appealed to should be interested to protect our people.

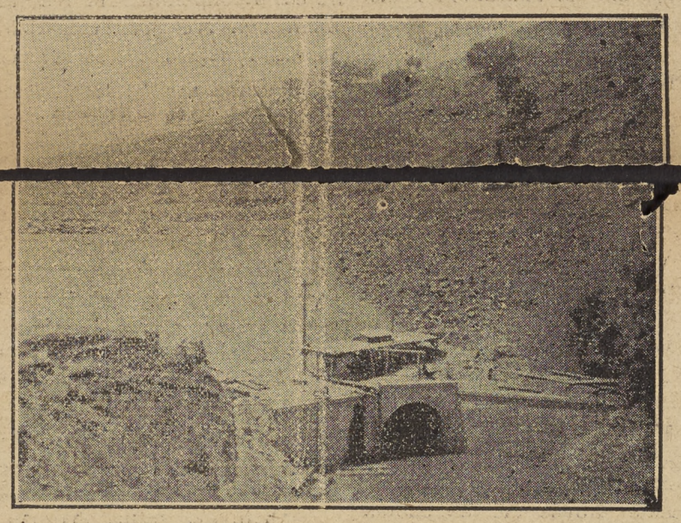
In the presence of such a menace the efforts now being made by a few petty souls to harass the directors of the Alameda County Water District in their work of protection is worse than mean and small. It is striking right at the community which harbors and tolerates them. Isn't it about time for our people to awaken to the necessity of some decisive action before this great menace is permanently fastened upon this community for all time to come?

VIEWS OF THE NEW CALAVERAS DAM

The upper picture shows the work of construction going on. The lower left view shows the temporary outlet of the dam blown open with dynamite last winter. The lower right picture shows the dam as it is today, about 40 feet high. The height of the dam when completed will be 200 feet.







COUNTY TAX RATE IS FIXED

Supervisors Fix Annual Budget at Regular Meeting on Monday Morning.

Oakland Tax Rate Twenty Cents Lower.—County Rate the Same as Last Year.

A decrease of twenty cents in the county tax rate for Oakland has been made by the board of supervisors. This year's county tax rate within the city of Oakland was fixed at $1.50, as compared with the $1.70 rate of last year.

The decided cut was effected chiefly through reductions in the apportionments allowed the board of education.

In explaining the careful paring that took place in the school department's allowances, Supervisor Joseph M. Kelley stated that every care had been taken to eliminate all unnecessary items of expense, and that improvements which could be postponed had been left for next year's consideration.

Fifteen Cents Increase.

The general tax rate for the county was fixed at 99c, an increase of 15c over that of last year. The increase is due to the 14c high school fund rendered mandatory by an act of the last legislature; by improvements to county buildings aggregating more than $150,000, and by the necessary provision for a presidential primary and other elections.

Outside of incorporated cities the county rate this year is $1.39. This sum was reached by the addition of a 40c road tax to the general county tax of 99c. Of this 40c road tax, 15 per cent is to be placed in the general road fund of the county.

School Funds Slashed.

The slashing of the estimates presented by the board of education was effected both in the funds desired for high schools and for elementary schools. Whereas the city board of education requested a 43c tax for elementary schools, only 30c was granted, and of the 17c on the hundred dollars asked for high school purposes, only 12c was allowed. Other items swelled the amount asked by the board of education to 61½c, and of this only 45c was included in the budget. The total amount of the reduction of school apportionments is $180,000.

The "blanket" or general basic tax for the entire county, which was fixed at 99c, is composed of the following items: Salary fund, 13c; county general fund, 28c; county infirmary fund, 16c; common school fund, 27c; high school fund, 14c; advertising fund, 9 mills; forest and fire fund, 1 mill.

Berkeley's rate was fixed at $1.47. This includes above the general rate of 99c, 43 cents for elementary schools and 5 cents for kindergartens.

Alameda will pay $1.38, of which amount 36 cents will go toward elementary schools and 3 cents toward kindergartens.

Upon the Alameda County Water district, taxation of which was vigorously opposed by the Spring Valley Water Company, a levy of 16 cents on the $100 was placed. The Pleasanton Water District, also against the wishes of the water company and of Mrs. Phoebe Hearst, was taxed at 12 cents.

Proposed improvements to county buildings account for 1 cent of the 15 cent increase in the general rate. An addition to the detention home is to cost $70,000; the new county infirmary will cost $75,000, and the proposed addition to the courthouse involves the expenditure of $16,000.

Kelley's Statement.

In moving the adoption of the resolution fixing the tax rate for the ensuing year, Supervisor Joseph M. Kelley said, "As all minds in the county seem to rest on the fact that financial conditions demand a curtailing of expense in all lines possible, it seemed to this board but proper, that we as representatives of the people endowed with the responsibility of maintaining the county government, do all in our power to fix as low a rate as is consistent with efficiency, without hampering our system. With this end in view I feel that the work of this board, in preparing and adopting this budget of expense, should meet with the just approval of every fair-minded taxpayer in Alameda county, every care has been taken to eliminate unnecessary items of expense, and to forestall until next year those betterments and improvements which we felt should be cared for this year, but that with some endeavor can be delayed a few months, and for these we ask the indulgence of the people."

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ASKED TO GIVE SPRING VALLEY SUPPORT

An attempt to have the Niles Chamber of Commerce endorse the recall movement launched by the Spring Valley Water Co. against the directors of the Alameda County Water District was temporarily abandoned last Tuesday night, probably because the few members present were loath to take the responsibility of such a drastic action as this on their shoulders.

The proposition was launched by Mr. J. B. Barnard who spoke of the suit that had been brought against the Spring alley Water Co. to prevent them from impounding the flood waters of Calaveras Creek by means of a dangerous dam.

Mr. Barnard said in part: "It is a well known fact that the laws of the United States permit flood waters to be impounded providing those building the dams own the land on either side of the creek so dammed.

"This foolish attempt to override the laws of the United States will simply result in a further waste of the money of the people of this district with nothing to show for it.

"Since the foundation of this water district, thousands of dollars have been spent and the taxpayers have not received a nickle's worth of benefit for the money expended.

"The taxpayers have asked several times for a statement from the directors of this water district as to what has become of their money, but we have never been able to get any satisfaction from them.

"A movement is now on foot to recall this board of directors, and as this movement is of vital interest to the taxpayers of this community, I would like to see this Chamber of Commerce lay the facts before the Associated Chambers of Commerce and ask for their support in this fight."

Chairman Craft then asked Mr. Jeffries, owner of the organ that is championing the Spring Valley cause, what he thought of the matter.

It was evidently not on the program for Mr. Jeffries to speak, for this gentleman was sadly perturbed and said only that he thought the taxpayers' money had been wasted getting data that the Spring Valley Water Co. had been collecting since 1888 and would have been glad to have furnished free.

Mr. Jefferis' principal objection seemed to be that the board of directors were paying some young man $100 per month and furnishing him with a horse and buggy.

Mr. E. K. Thompson, manager of Mr. Jefferis' paper, was admitted to membership during the evening and proceeded at once to move that the statements made by Mr. Barnard and Mr. Jefferis be embodied in a letter and the delegates from Niles Chamber of Commerce to the Associated Chambers of Commerce be instructed to present them as facts endorsed by the local chamber to the Associated Chambers. This motion was seconded by Mr. C. B. Overacker.

After some discussion this motion was withdrawn and another motion made by Mr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Overacker that the secretary of the chamber be instructed to demand an attested statement of receipts and expenditures up to date from the secretary of the Alameda County Water District, to be presented at the next meeting.

According to Mr. Thompson, if such a statement is rendered, it can be criticized by the board and if the expenditures are not approved of by the chamber, then this statement can be used against the board in the recall fight and in favor of the Spring Valley Co. If the secretary of the board should fail to render such a statement,

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RECALL PETITION BEING CIRCULATED

Move to Recall Water District Directors Is Given Its Official Start.

Directors Patterson, Shinn and Stevenson Are Named in Recall Petition.

The long threatened recall of the Alameda County Water District directors is being circulated. It is being openly fathered by Will Jeffries.

Mr. Jeffries is not a resident of the Water District, but he is very anxious to save money for the taxpayers of the district and is opposed to the lawsuit brought by the district against the Spring Valley Water Co. Mr. Jeffries is in favor of the Spring Valley Water Co. and believes the best way to save the water supply of the Township is to let Spring Valley take it to San Francisco. In order to kill off the lawsuit he is asking for the recall of Directors J. C. Shinn, W. D. Patterson and E. H. Stevenson. In his published articles Mr. Jeffries insinuates that these men are not square, that they are using the taxpayers' money to pull their own chestnuts out of the fire, etc. Incidentally in his own private talks he tries to utilize a presumed prejudice against the editor of the Press. In order to secure signatures he is trying to play upon the prejudice of the saloon men of the Township, upon political prejudice or any old [illegible] plea that will induce people to sign the petition. As it will require in the neighborhood of 200 names to force the recall election and as Mr. Jeffries assisted by Mr. Crothers, the sign painter, has been industriously working for the past two weeks it is not unlikely that the required number will be secured.

When the names are secured the Board of Directors [illegible] obliged to call an election for the purpose and candidates to take the places of the three directors will then appear. Of course the district will have to stand the expense of the election. But by killing off the lawsuit and electing directors favorable to such a purpose Mr. Jeffries and his backers hope to save the taxpayers much more than the expense of a recall election.

As the Spring ValleyWater Co. is one of the heaviest taxpayers in the district and will have to pay about double what it is now paying should the Alvarado section be added to the ditsrict, and as it will also save the expense of a lawsuit and also make sure of millions of dollars' worth of water which it is not taking now, and as Mr. Jeffries is making the fight for the Spring Valley Water Co. the conclusion to be drawn is very plain.

Just why Mr. Jeffries and those behind him are exempting Directors Trenouth and Emanuel George from the recall election is not very apparent. All of the directors have so far acted unanimously on all matters for the ditsrict. Both are in accord with the rest of the Board and both will oppose the recall of their associate members. Perhaps the Spring Valley only needs three directors to control the district and kill off the fight against it. Perhaps the move to recall only the three members has created a hope that a division among the voters may be created.

So far as the directors are concerned they are perfectly willing that the question shall be put up to the voters for their discussion. They have acted solely to carry out the purpose for which the district was created, namely to preserve the water supply of all the people of the district. If the people are dissatisfied with their action and if they prefer to trust

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JUST LISTEN TO THIS !

The editor of The Press has been charged with being in the employ of the Peoples Water Co. The absurdity of such a charge is best shown by the fact that the Peoples Water Co. protested the passage of the act validating the Alameda County Water District last winter at Sacramento. The Peoples Water Co. also opposed the formation of the district before the Board of Supervisors at the original hearings.

The fact that the editor of The Press was placed on the Public Utilities Committee which is advocating the formation of a public utilities ditsrict for the East Bay Cities is used as an argument to bolster up this charge. The appointment on the committee was unsolicited. So far as the committee is concerned the most it can do is to aid in the formation of a ditsrict.

After that is done the selection of a water supply is entirely up to the people of the cities themselves. In spite of the prominence which the Spring Valleyites attempt to give to us we are not so flattered by their kindly disposed attentions that we take ourselves seriously enough to think that we can prevail upon the people of of Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda to buy out the Peoples Water Co. It's too big a job for us. Another fact advanced to support this idea is that the Water District was formed to prevent the Peoples Water Co. from pumping more water out of the gravels of the Township and that the directors have not yet instituted the necessary lawsuit. The fact is that the directors months ago ordered the suit brought. The only reasons why it has not been brought are that the directors believe that the danger from the Spring Valley is greater and more imminent and must be met at once, that the Peoples Water Co. has temporarily at least abandoned its efforts to increase the supply taken at Alvarado, that the decision in the Spring Valley suit will have an important bearing on the Alvarado situation and finally that the financial resources of the district preclude the carrying on of both suits at the present time. In the meantime the addition of the Alvarado section is being advanced and the annexation of this section will strengthen the ditsrict's fight against the Peoples Water Co.

As soon as the situation warrants the suit against the Peoples Water Co. will be brought. That is, of course, providing the present directors are not recalled. If they are and Spring Valleyites are elected in their place it is more than likely that the Peoples Water Co. will be cared for by the Spring Valleyandthe suit will never be brought.

The inconsistency of the recallers is well shown in the fact that they want the suit against the Spring Valley dismissed and yet are complaining that one has not been instituted against the Peoples Water Co.

The charge is just a plain lie and nobody knows it is better than those who charge it.

NON-PARTISANSHIP IN STATE AFFAIRS.

The special state election to be held next month promises to be lively enough. The main fight will center around the referendum on the new primary law passed at the last session of the legislature. This law places all state officers in the non-partisan class just as county officers are now chosen. The purpose of the new law is to divorce state politics from national politics. Under the new law only candidates for Congress, including United States Senators, may run as party nominees.

Naturally the old political machines which used party names and party prejudice to keep themselves in power are opposed to the new law. It was so easy to capitalize a party name and use it to further private ambitions or put over raw political jobs that the professional party men hate to see the change made. Our own county has seen the perfection to which the party machine could be made to work. In fact it has seen one set of men control all the machines and hand out all the party nominations to their own previously chosen favorites.

It is true that the direct primary law and the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people and the initiative and referendum have greatly lessened the evils of the old system, but there is always the danger that a purely national issue like the tariff may be the deciding factor in our state government. It has been so time and again in California affairs. For instance the tariff or some other national issue may make possible the capture of our railroad commission and undo the work of the present one. Thre are scores of other ways in which national politics may be used as a means to undo much of the good work done in California.

And yet the State government has nothing whatever to do with the tariff or any other questions given over entirely to the national government.

Under the proposed law candidates for the national legislature will run as party nominees representing particularly national issues.

Under the old party system the tariff elected railroad men to the State Supreme Court, placed party bosses on the Superior bench and in fact even decided a constable fight. By playing on party prejudice not only could a "yellow dog" or a "Chinaman" be elected if he were on the ticket as the saying used to run, but by uniting the forces of the national and state machines each was used to help the other fasten the system of privilege upon the country.

By eliminating national politics from state campaigns more emphasis is given to state issues in the state, and national issues are kept by themselves. In this way the really vital state issues are forced to the front with the result that the best interests of the state are advanced much more rapidly than when hindered or obscured by national issues which do not in any way relate to them. Because of a split in the progressive ranks the reactionaries in Wisconsin in the last state election went into power under the cloak of the Republican party. The party fetich on national issues helps out the reactionaries in the Democratic party of the Southern states in the same way. By divorcing purely state issues from national issues, the division of the powers of government originally intended under our scheme of government will be better carried out.

California is by far the most progressive state in the Union today and the adoption of the non-partisan primary law will send it still further along.

GIVE CREDIT WHERE IT IS DUE.

The Press believes in giving credit where it is due in public matters. So far as the Water District is concerned Supervisor Murphy has fulfilled every pledge and is justly entitled to commendation for his action. This is more particularly true of the Pleasanton Water District where every sort of opposition to the levying of a tax was stirred up. The entire board has acted fairly in the case of both districts.

It must be an inspiring sight to the people of this district to see Will Jeffries chasing over this Township day after day in a big automobile trying to recall men like Shinn, Patterson and Stevenson. We wonder whose "simolems" are paying for the big automobile?

READ THIS PETITION.

Have you read the petition against the building of the Calaveras dam? Read it over again. Let us know what you think about it. Show it to your neighbors. Talk it over with them. Now is the time to call attention to it.

PETITION

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alameda County.

We, the undersigned residents of Alameda County, and more particularly of the region in and around Niles Canyon, and of the lowlands between the mouth thereof and the easterly shore of San Francisco Bay, believing that a situation exists that demands immediate action by your Board, beg to call to your attention the dangerous condition that we believe confronts our community through the attempt now being made by the Spring Valley Water Company to build a dam in the Calaveras Valley in this County.

It is a matter of common report and knowledge that said dam does not rest on a bed-rock foundation, and that the construction of any type of dam at that place has been condemned as unsafe by many engineers. With the memory of the catastrophes that have befallen other communities in recent years, through the impounding of large bodies of water behind dams of faulty construction or unsafe location, and with even expert opinion divided as to the safety of said Calaveras dam, and in view of the evident intention of the Spring Valley Water Company to test its alleged belief in the safety of its project by imperiling the lives and property of the members of our community, and since there could be no adequate compensation for the loss of lives and property that would undoubtedly result should the dam fail and let loose disastrous floods down the valley, we, therefore, protest against the testing at our risk of this hazardous experiment by said Company.

As proof that our fear is not g... is well known that during the high water of last winter it became necessary, in order to prevent the carrying away of the entire dam, to blast away a considerable part of the concrete storm-water culvert which was supposed to carry off the excess flood waters. As measures of this nature are not ordinarily taken, except as a last resort, and as this was clearly made necessary through a failure to provide against the ordinary risks of such a project, and as, through an error in the construction of a detail of the dam, a disaster has already been narrowly averted, we believe that we have good ground for serious distrust of the structure as a whole, and of the engineering methods and data under which it is being constructed.

Therefore, feeling that the remedying of the conditions complained of is a matter of urgent necessity to safeguard both the lives and property of those living in this community we earnestly urge your honorable Board to take such immediate action as may be necessary to compel the immediate and permanent cessation of any attempts to impound water in the said Calaveras Valley. And, moreover, that you also take such further action as may be necessary to compel the immediate removal and dismantling of any and all works that may have been already constructed, and which may in any way obstruct the natural flow of Calaveras Creek, to the end that no dangerous volume of water be again allowed to accumulate, either during the approaching winter or at any time in the future.

EVERY SECTION SHOULD HAVE A "COMMUNITY LEAGUE"

We reprint again this week the following suggestions on a Community League. We call attention of our various local organizations to its excellent suggestions. You may have overlooked it. Cut it out and save it for future reference.

(1) Commottee on Social Life—To encourage good roads and all forms of recreation, local fairs, baseball and other games, school and neighborhood picnics; Christmas Easter, Fourth of July and Thanksgiving celebrations; corn shuckings, quiltings debates, musicals, reading circles etc., etc.

(2- **Committee on Educational Work**—This committee to look after—

(a) Improving the school;
(b) Extension work; lectures, library development, getting books, bulletins, and papers into all homes, etc.;
(c) Boys' and Girls' industrial clubs.

(3) **Committee on Farm Production**—Soil fertility, scientific and progressve crop growing and stock raising; improved tools and machinery and co-operation in their use.

(4) **Committee on Marketing and Credits** —
(a) Marketing crops and produce;
(b) Economical buying;
(c) Rural credits and thrift.

(5) **Committee on Moral Conditions and Improvement**—To combat all agencies of dissipation or immorality, develop church and Sunday school interests and enlist these in the efforts for community development.

(6) **Commttee on Health Conditions and Improvement**—To study conditions and adopt means for promoting the health of the community.

(7) **Committee on Woman's Work**—To look after home equipment; to work out plans for household management, home industries, recreation for the farm and so on.—The Progressive Farmer.

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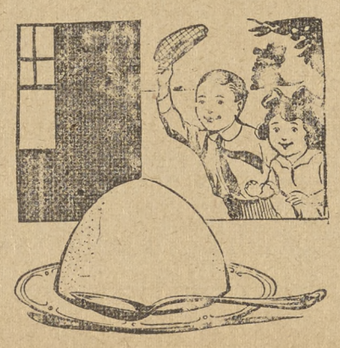

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NOTICE OF HEARING OF PETITION

For Addition of a Certain Portion of Alameda County to the Alameda County Water District.

Notice is hereby given that a petition for the addition of a certain portion of Alameda County to the AlamedaCounty Water District, situate in Alameda County, State of California, has been signed by the necessary number of registered voters within said portion of Alameda County proposed to be added to said Water District, and that said petition will be presented to the Board of Directors of said Water District at the regular meeting of said Board, on Saturday, the 25th day of September, 1915, at the regular place of meeting of said Board in Stevenson's Hall, Centerville, said county, at three o'clock P. M. of said day, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and that at said time and place, said petition will be considered, and all persons interested therein may then appear and be heard.

The number of signers of said petition is 51, and the text of said petition, with the names of five of the persons signing the same, is as follows:

PETITION

For the Addition of a Certain Portion of Alameda County to the Alameda County Water District.

To the Honorable the Board of Directors of the Alameda County Water District, State of California:

The undersigned, all of whom are qualified electors of the County of Alameda, State of California, residing within the boundaries of that portion of Alameda County proposed to be added to the Alameda County Water District as hereinafter described, do hereby represent to and petition your Honorable Board as follows, to-wit:

That your petitioners desire the addition to the said Alameda County Water District of all that portion of said County, situate, lying and being within the following described boundaries, which are the proposed boundaries of the portion of said county proposed to be added to said District, to-wit:

Commencing at a point on the Westerly line of the Right of Way of the Central Pacific Railway's main line leading from Niles to Hayward, in Alameda County, California, where said Westerly line is intersected by the center line of County Road Survey No. 556, as said center line of said Survey No. 556 is shown in the notes of said Survey and filed in the County Surveyor's Office of Alameda County, California, at page 329 of Volume No. 2 of Survey Records; said center line of said Survey No. 556 being also a Northern boundary of the Alameda County Water District as said District is described in an Order of the Board of Supervisors of Alameda County, State of [illegible] entered in said Board of Supervisors' Minutes on the 25th day of November, 1913; thence running from said point of commencement North 42 degrees 11 minutes West, and along the Westerly boundary of the Right of Way of the Central Pacific Railway herein before mentioned, (as said boundary is described in those certain next herein referred to instruments, viz. F. William Meyer to Western Pacific Railroad Company, dated July 16th, 1869, and recorded July 17th, 1869, in Book 41 of Deeds at page 414; George Emerson to Western Pacific Railroad Company, dated July 3rd, 1869, and recorded July 17th, 1869, in Book 41 of Deeds at page 410; Christopher Griswold to Western Pacific Railroad Company, dated August 2nd, 1869, and recorded October 12th, 1869, in Book 49 of Deeds, at page 132; Andrew Patterson to Western Pacific Railroad Company, dated June 30th, 1869, and recorded July 17th, 1869, in Book 41 of Deeds, at page 411; Cornelius Mohr to Western Pacific Railroad Company, dated July 2nd, 1869, and recorded July 17th, 1869, in Book 41 of Deeds, at page 407; Andrew Himmelmann to Western Pacific Railroad Company, dated December 2nd, 1870, and recorded May 25th, 1914, in Book 2247 of Deeds, at page 247; the six deeds last above referred to and the records thereof are all severally and singly parts of the records of the Office of the County Recorder of Alameda County, State of California;) to a point in the Easterly line of County Road Survey No. 314, as said Survey is shown in the notes on file in the office of the County Surveyor of Alameda County, California, in Volume No. 2 of Survey Records, at page 75; thence following the Easterly line of said Survey No. 314, South 44 3-40 West 53.20 chains more or less, to the point of intersection of said line with a boundary line of that certain parcel of land containing 384.93 acres as said parcel of land is described in that certain indenture made November 22nd, 1871, between Henry C. Hyde and Herman Hadeler assignees in bankruptcy of Henry D. Ellerhorst and A. C. Teitman voluntary bankrupts, parties of the first part, and Andrew Himmelmann, party of thesecond part, and recorded May 15th, 1872, in Book of Deeds No. 78, at page 446, Alameda County Records; said boundary line of said parcel of land being that described in said indenture as the Southerly line of the lands of Kompf and of Gay; thence along said last mentioned line South 83 degrees 55 minutes West, 39.80 chains to the Southwest corner of the lands of Kompf as said corner is described in said indenture, said corner is described inshretaoinshrde corner being also the Southeast corner of the land of Hess; thence along the South line of the land of Hess, North 88 degrees 20 minutes West, 8.50 chains to the Northeasterly corner of a certain parcel of land containing 381.54 acres as said parcel of land is described in that certain indenture last hereinabove referred to; thence along the Northerly boundary of said last mentioned parcel of land, North 88 degrees 20 minutes West, 46.58 chains to the Northwesterly corner thereof and a point on the Easterly line of Hiffner; thence along the Easterly line of Hiffner as described in said indenture, South 0 degrees 30 minutes East 4.76 chains to the point of intersection of said line with the boundary line of the Rancho Arroyo de la Alameda, as said boundary line of said Rancho is shown on that certain plat entitled "Plat of the Rancho Arroyo de la Alameda finally confirmed to Jose de Jesus Vallejo", etc., and recorded May 5th, 1858, in Book A of Patents, at page 70, Alameda County Records; said point of intersection is on survey line numbered 116 of said Rancho and is distant 3.21 chains from the point of intersection of the survey lines numbered 115 and 116 of said Rancho, as said lines are shown on the plat last herein referred to; thence along the boundary of said Rancho Arroyo de la Alameda as said boundary is shown on the plat of said Rancho last herein referred to, North 77 degrees West, 21.75 chains, West 59.00 chains, North 69 1-4 degrees West 85.00 chains, North 85 1-4 degrees West 27.00 chains South 67 1-2 degrees West, 23.50 chains, North 75 1-4 degrees West 5.00 chains, North 10 1-4 degrees East 46.50 chains, North 64 1-4 degrees West 35.00 chains, North 4 3-4 degrees West 35.00 chains, North 4 3-4 No. 3 J. V. of the survey of said Rancho, said Station No. 3. J. V. being also the Southwesterly corner of the De Soto Rancho as the survey of said Rancho is shown on that certain plat entitled "Plat of the Southern Portion of the De Soto Rancho as subdivided by W. F. Boardman, J. A. May new, and R. S. Farrelly, commissioners appointed by the Judge of the Court of the Third Judicial District of the County of Alameda, to partition the same.", and recorded October 27th, 1866, in Liber X of Deeds, at page 11, Alameda County Records; thence following the Westerly boundary of said last mentioned Rancho, North 11 degrees and 20 minutes West 28.81 chains, North 32 degrees 20 minutes West to the intersection with a Southerly boundary of Swamp and Overflowed Land Survey No. 236, of Alameda County, California; thence West along a boundary of said Swamp and Overflowed Land Survey No. 236, 19.40 chains to a corner of Swamp and Overflowed Land Survey No. 210, of Alameda County California; thence following the boundaries of said Survey No. 210, North 19.00 chains, West 32.50 chains to the Northwest corner of said Survey No. 210; thence continuing along the boundaries of said Survey No. 210; South 12 degrees East 20.45 chains, South 45 degrees West, 11.45 chains, South 31 3-4 degrees East 14.00 chains to the Southwesterly corner of said Survey No. 210 and the Northwesterly corner of Swamp and Overflowed Land Survey No. 295, of Alameda County, California; thence along the Westerly boundary of said Survey No. 295, South 1 degree West 60.00 chains to the Northwesterly corner of Salt Marsh and Tide Lands Survey No. 68, of Alameda County, California; thence along the Westerly boundary of said Survey No. 68, South 16 1-2 degrees East 20.85 chains to the Northwesterly corner of Swamp and Overflowed Lands Survey No. 245, of Alameda County, California; thence along the Westerly boundary of said Survey No. 245, South 10 1-4 degrees East 40.80 chains to the Northwesterly corner of Swamp and Overflowed Lands Survey No. 243, of Alameda County, California; thence along the Westerly boundary of said Survey No. 43, South 10 3-4 degrees East 28.06 chains to the Northwesterly corner of Swamp and Overflowed Lands Survey No. 244, of Alameda County, California; thence along the westerly boundary of said Survey No. 244 South 10 3-4 degrees East 8.25 chains, South 23 degrees East 20.10 chains, South 32 degrees East 13.00 chains, South 74 degrees East 8.20 chains, to a point on the Northerly boundary of Tide Lands Survey No. 101 of Alameda County, California; thence along the boundaries of said Survey No. 101, West 34.00 chains to the Northwesterly corner thereof; thence South 40.00 chains to the Southwesterly corner thereof; thence East to a point on the Southerly boundary of said Survey No. 101 which is due North from the most Westerly corner of the Alameda County Water District herein first referred to; thence due South to the most Westerly corner of said Alameda County Water District; thence along the Northerly boundary of said Alameda County Water District to the most Westerly corner of Lot No. 4 of the Baker Tract, as said Lot No. 4 is delineated and so designated upon that certain map entitled "Map of the Baker Tract near Alvarado, Alameda County, California" and filed in the office of the Recorder of Alameda County, California, May 24th, 1895, in Map Book No. 17 at page 66; thence in a Northwesterly direction and following the boundaries of the said Alameda County Water District to the center line of County Road Survey No. 556 hereinbefore mentioned; thence along the center line of said Survey No. 556 and continuing along the boundaries of the said Alameda County Water District, Southeasterly, Northeasterly, and Easterly, to the point of commencement.

That all of the undersigned subscribers to this petition are qualified electors of the County of Alameda, State of California, duly registered as such within the boundaries hereinbefore set forth

Wherefore your petitioners pray that said portion of said County be added to said District with the above described boundaries, in conformity with that certain Act of the Legislature of the State of California, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and organization and management of county water districts, and to provide for the acquisition of water rights or construction thereby of water-works, and for the acquisition of said property necessary therefor, and also to provide for the distribution and sale of water by said districts," approved June 10, 1913, and designated as Chapter 592 of the Chaptered Laws of 1913, and acts amendatory thereof, and that all proceedings necessary for the purpose of adding said territory to said District be had and taken by your Board in conformity with said act.

Names.	Voting Precinct.
1. D. F. Wiegman	Alvadado
2. August May	Alvarado
3. A. A. Lee	Alvarado
4. J. M. Scribner	Alvarado
5. H. Greenhalgh	Alvarado

This notice is given by the persons signing said petition, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of June 10th, 1913 (Chapter 592 of the Laws of 1913), and is signed by five of such petitioners, on their own behalf and on behalf of the other petitioners.

Dated: July 19, 1915.

D. F. WIEGMAN.
AUGUST MAY.
A. A. LEE.
J. M. SCRIBNER.
H. GREENHALGH.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph Tyson, Deceased

ELIZABETH B. TYSON, administratrix of the Estate of Joseph Tyson, deceased, having this day presented and filed a verified petition praying for an order authorizing her to mortgage the real estate belonging to decedent, hereinafter described to pay debts and charges of administration:

It is therefore ordered that all persons interested in the estate of said deceased, appear before said Superior Court on Friday, the 24th day of September, 1915, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court House in the City of Oakland, Alameda County, California, and thereto show cause why the real estate belonging to said deceased, situated in the Township of Washington, Alameda County, California, and described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at a point in the center of the public road leading from Niles to Mission San Jose, the same point being the Easterly corner of and of Jere Donovan, thence S. 54¾ degrees Westerly Thirteen 25½-100 chains to the Southerly corner of said Donovan's land; thence S. 42½ degrees Easterly along Tyson's line Seven 79-100 chains to a stake; thence Northerly 54¾ degrees Easterly to a point in the center of said before-mentioned public road from which the point of beginning is distant Seven and 79-100 chains; thence northerly 42.35 degrees westerly Seven and 79-100 chains to the point of beginning. Containing Ten and [illegible]00 acres more or less, or some part thereof.

Excepting the portions heretofore sold, amounting to about 5½ acres, and leaving a balance of 4½ acres, of land more or less, as more particularly appears in the petition for leave to mortgage on file herein to which reference is hereby made.

Should not be mortgaged for the amount mentioned in the petition, to-wit: The sum of $45[illegible].90 or such lesser amount as to the Court shall seem meet.

Reference is hereby made to the petition on file herein, for further particulars.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published for four successive weeks, in the "Washington Press," a newspaper of general circulation printed and published in the Town of Niles, Alameda County, California.

Dated: August 13, 1915.

W. J. WELLS,
Judge of the Superior Court.

CERTIFICATE OF FICTITIOUS PARTNERSHIP NAME.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That we the undersigned, do hereby certify that we are transacting business in the State of California, to wit; a Partnership, under a fictitious name or designation, which does not show the names of the persons interested as such partners in such business;

That said business is being transacted in the Town of Irvington, County of Alameda, State of California, under the firm name and style of Leal & Co., and the particular place where said business is being transacted is situated on the North Side of Mission Street, and about 200 feet east of the intersection thereof, with the Easterly line of the Oakland and San Jose County Road, in said Town of Irvington, County of Alameda, State of California;

That the names in full of all members of said partnership are as follows, Frank A. Leal, whose residence is Irvington, Alameda County ,California; Joseph H. Leal, whose residence is Irvington, Alameda County, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF We have hereunto set our hands and Seals this 13 day of August 1915.

(SEAL) FRANK A. LEAL,
(SEAL) JOSEPH H. LEAL.

State of California } ss.
County of Alameda }

On this 18th day of August in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen, before me Thos. J. Power, a Notary Public in and for the County of Alameda, State of California, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Frank A. Leal and Joseph H. Leal, known to me to be the persons described in and whose names are subscribed to the within instruument, and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

(SEAL) THOS. J. POWER,
Notary Public in and for the County of Alameda, State of California.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Alameda.

In the matter of the estate of JOAQUIN R. MARTIN, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned administrator of the estate of the above named deceased to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, and claims for funeral expenses and expenses of last illness of said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within four (4) months after the first publication of this notice to the said administrator at the law office of Jno. G. Matos Jr., at Centerville, Alameda County, California, which said office the undersigned selects as his place of business in all matters connected with said estate of Joaquin R. Martin, deceased.

JOAQUIN R. MARTIN, Jr.,
Administrator of the Estate of Joaquin R. Martin, Deceased.

Dated September 1, 1915.

Jno. G. Mattos, Jr.,
Attorney for Administrator, Centerville, Cal.

First publication, September 4, 1915.

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LODGE MEETINGS

ALAMEDA LODGE, F. & A. M. Stated meetings at Masonic Temple, Centerville, for 1915: January 30, February 27, March 27, April 24, May 22, June 26, July 24, August 21, September 18, October 16, November 20, December 18.

E. M. GRIMMER, W. M.
A. T. BIDDLE, Secretary.

NILES LODGE, NO. 382, I. O. O. F. Meets every Monday evening at Niles.

BEN W. STONE, Noble Grand,
W. O. FORD, Vice Grand.
P. A. ELLIS, Secretary.

MAPLE CAMP NO. 146, W. O. W.—Meets every Second and Fourth Fridays of the Month in Stevenson's Hall, Centerville.

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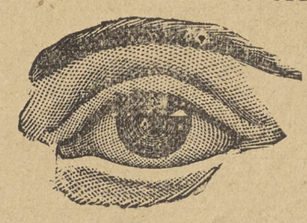

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SOUTHERN PACIFIC

The News Throughout the Township

RECALL PETITION BEING CIRCULATED

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their fight to Will Jeffries, Johnny Bainard, and the Spring Valley Water Co., rather than to the men who are now serving them, then the sooner such a decision is made the better for all concerned.

The real purpose of the recall is to recall the injunction suit against the Spring Valley Water Co. It will exactly suit that company's purpose to have it killed. It can afford to spend considerable money to bring such a thing about. The very fact that the attempt is being made is an acknowledgment of the danger attending the lawsuit. It is a compliment to the present Board as it acknowledges also that the present Board can not be bought off. There are millions at stake and doubtless those who are engineering the recall are looking for fat pickings as Spring Valley privates or generals.

However, it will be up to the people to decide. We are willing to abide by the decision of the people. We are not afraid of their sense of right, nor do we believe they will be tricked into voting away their own most valuable property rights just to please Spring Valley or its tools.

The recallers will find themselves mistaken if they think they can make the fight on personalities. The question is bigger than any man or set of men. This district can get along without either Runckel or Jeffries, or it can get along in spite of them. But when it comes to voting away their water supply the people will hunt out and crack more than one Spring Valley head before they do that.

Centerville

The dance given by the band boys last Saturday night proved a great success both socially and financially. Every one present had a rousing good time and encouraged the boys to repeat; therefore another dance will be given by them on Saturday, September 18, 1915.

Dr. and Mrs. Emerson have returned from their visit to San Francisco.

J. A. Coney and E. H. Stevenson have returned from their visit to Bartlett Springs.

Dan Fitzgerald spent Sunday and Monday with relatives in San Jose.

Business has increased so rapidly with the Union Oil Co. that it has been found necessary to place an auto truck in commission. Mr. Fitzgerald has charge of the new machine.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Swain motord to Stockton Saturday and spent the week end there.

Mr. Hoyt has opened a harness and shoe repairing shop in the Little building, corner of Main street and Niles avenue.

Maxwell and Harry Stevenson spent the week end at the Emerson home.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid met with Miss McCormick on Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. Rita Merrell has returned to her home in San Jose after a two weeks visit with the Bells.

Washington Parlor No. 169 took part in the great celebration in San Francisco on the 9th.

FRED DASSEL PASSES AWAY IN OROVILLE

Residents of our village were greatly shocked on Sunday last to learn of the death of Fred Dassel of Niles on the morning of that day at a hospital in Oroville of typhoid fever. Mr. Dassel had charge of a tea and coffee route in Oroville and vicinity. He had not been well for a couple of weeks but kept about at his work. Growing worse he went to Berry Creek Inn for rest and recovery. While there his condition became alarming and on Friday of last week he was removed to the hospital in Oroville. His death followed on Sunday morning, with no member of the family present. The body arrived in Oakland on Monday morning and funeral services were held at the family home on Tuesday morning, in charge of the Woodmen of the World of which order he was a member. Rev. Mr. Hyde, pastor of the Congregational Church, and Rev. Mr. Jones, former pastor, both took part in the services, Rev. Jones' address being especially touching and appropriate. Burial followed in the Decoto cemetery.

A more extended notice will follow in next week's issue of The Press.

Chamber of Commerce Asked To Support Spring Valley

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then, said Mr. Thompson, "We'll have them where we want them."

Anyhow the next meeting will be nothing if not interesting and it is up to every member to be present.

In the absence of President Sneden Mr. Craft occupied the chair. After the reading of the minutes and the reports of committees had been made E. K. Thompson was elected to membership. E. K. Thompson was appointed on the folder committee vice W. T. Davis who has left town. Two bills were allowed and a number of communications read.

The applications of C. R. Evans and A. O. Limburgh were read and ordered laid over until next meeting.

The secretary reported collections to the amount of $10.75.

Those present at the meeting were J. B. Barnard, H. J. Craft, C. B. Overacker, Wm. Jefferis, E. K. Thompson, M. J. Silva, P. A. Ellis, C. R. Evans.

Niles

Mr. J. W. Morgan and his daughter, Miss Florence Morgan from Halsey, Oregon, are visiting with their relatives, the McCellan family.

Mrs. May Cummings of Petaluma spent the week end with her aunt, Mrs. G. E. Chittenden.

Mrs. Gertrude Burtchell of Oakland came up on Sunday to visit her daughters at Belvoir.

Miss Emily Greenman of Long Island, New York, who has been in California for the past two months, was a guest on Sunday of Mrs. W. R. Cobb. Miss Greenman has been translating the lectures of Madame Montesorri in her educational work in San Francisco.

Mrs. Florence Scribner Parsons and her daughter, Miss Alice Parsons, have been guests at the Jacobs home this past week. Mrs. Parsons made her home in Niles several years ago at the Cal. Nursery.

Miss M. W. Shinn has been spending the week in San Francisco as the guest of Dr. Emma Sutro Merritt.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shinn and Miss Martha Sanford write from Camp Curry, Yosemite Valley, where they are resting for some days. They made the trip into the Valley by the Big Oak Flat route and Crocker's.

Mrs. Fern Green has become quite expert in driving her new Ford machine, and is out often on the highways.

Mrs. W. H. Miller of Los Angeles who is spending the summer with her son, Judge Ogden of Oakland, has been a guest during the week of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tyson.

Mr. E. D. P. McDonald of Oakland, orchard inspector under Mr. Seulberger, has been making a tour of this portion of the township under the guidance of Mr. W. H. Tyson, who has charge of this district.

Judge Ogden of Oakland, with his son Clarence, and Mrs. Geo. McDonald, of Glengary, British Coumbia, were guests at the W. H. Tyson home last Monday.

Mrs. Ahrenberg is spending the week with relatives in San Francisco and attending the Exposition.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cobb and ittle daughter of San Francisco are occupying the Shinn cottage while Mr. and Mrs. Shinn are away on their camping trip.

Miss Stanley of Oakland spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Mosher.

A large delegation of Native Sons and Daughters went to S. F. from Niles on Thursday—some by train and some by automobile—to be present at the Admission Day celebration.

Trinity Guild held its annual meeting with basket lunch in thte Guild Hall on Wednesday last. Following the social enjoyment of the luncheon the meeting was called to order for business and the following officers were elected for the new year: Mrs. Clara Martenstein, president; Mrs. Orpin, vice-president; Mrs. Hilda Meyer, secretary; Mrs. Philip Moore, treasurer; Mrs. W. H. Tyson, Mrs. B. L. Tyson, Mrs. E. B. Tyson, directoresses.

Little collection barrels were distributed among the club members for contributions during the year, toward paying off the last $100 debt on the Guild Hall.

The next meeting will follow in two weeks with Mrs. Maud Tetterman as hostess at the home of Mr. John Tyson.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH NILES.

Services Sunday, Sept. 12, 1915.

10:00 a. m. Sunday school.

11:00 a. m. Preaching service, topic: "Jesus and Nicodemus."

7:45 p. m. A further study in the historical development of the Hebrew Religion.

ESSANAY INDIANS LOSE CLOSE GAME ON ERRORS

The Niles Essanay Indians went down in defeat at the hands of the strong Sebastopol Club last Sunday at Sebastopol in a pitchers' duel between Kremer and Fodder Dolan. Although Dolan was forced to accept the smaller end of the run column, it was no fault of his that the victory was not a triumphant one for the Indians and little "Red Head" for he twirled one of the best games of his long career.

It was predicted by all those who are supposed to know that the Essanay boys would suffer an overwhelming defeat from the Apple Growers, since a look at the box score will plainly show the strongest line-up ever represented on a semi-pro diamond. However, Dolan went about his task of taming the leaguers with all the skill and coolness of a veteran. But for two errors by Sheehan in left field the two clubs might have been battling yet, for both pitchers were getting stronger as the game went on.

Kremer for Sebastopol also pitched big league ball, striking out seven men. He was particularly strong in the pinches excepting the 2nd inning when Niles bunched a double and two singles for their only run.

Sebastopol broke in the run column in the first inning when Bankhead drew a base on balls and scored when Breslauer threw Scanlon's bunt away. In this same inning Sebastopol had the bases full with none out but a lightning double play Esola to Wolfrom to B. Wales pulled Dolan out of a hole when Cartwright struck out, ending the inning. Niles tied it up in their half of the second when, with one down, D. Wales hit one of Kremer's slow balls to the left center fence for two bases and scored on Sheehan's single to center. Breslauer also singled in this inning but Dolan grounded out ending the inning. This ended the scoring as far as the Essanay Indians were concerned for Kremer kept the other four hits off his delivery scattered throughout as many innings. In the eighth, however, an error, a hit and a base on balls filled the bases with two out, but Burroughs struck out, ending the inning.

In the 6th Sebastopol scored without getting a hit when Sheehan dropped Cunningham's line drive scoring Bankhead. In the seventh the local club scored two more when with two men on bases Phyl hit a screming liner to left that got away from Sheehan scoring both runners. This was an excusable fumble as it was a hard chance and Phyl was given a three base hit. The wind was blowing hard, which bothered Sheehan considerable.

Wales, Breslauer and Phyl carried off the batting honors, while Esola, B. Wales and Phyl fielded in brilliant fashion.

Niles will not play next Sunday but will probably play in Alameda Sept. 19th, and will then return home to play the remainder of the season at Sullivan park, provided the attendance is up to the standard.

Score:

Niles Essanay Indians.

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Esola, ss	3	0	1	2	5	0
A. Waes, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Wofrom, c	4	0	0	5	2	1
Fries, cf	3	0	1	2	0	0
Burroughs, 1b	4	0	0	7	0	0
B. Wales, 2b	4	1	2	5	3	0
Sheehan, lf	4	0	1	1	1	2
Bresslauer, 3b	4	0	2	1	2	1
Dolan, p	3	0	0	1	0	0
Total	31	1	7	24	13	4

Sebatsopol

	AB	R	H	PO	A	E
Bankhead, rf	3	2	1	2	0	0
Scanlon, 2b	2	0	0	1	2	0
Cartwright, 3b	4	0	0	1	2	1
Phyl, 1b	3	0	2	8	3	0
Goldie, lf	4	0	0	1	0	0
Smith, cf	3	1	1	2	1	0
Deimas, ss	4	0	1	1	2	1
Cunningham, c	4	0	0	9	0	0
Kremer, p	3	1	1	2	2	0
Total	30	4	6	27	12	2

Score by Innings.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Niles Essanay	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	4
Sebastopol	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	x	4	6	2

Summary.

Stolen bases—Scanlon 2, Cartwright 2, Phyl Smith 2.

2 Base hits—B. Wales, Phyl Breslauer.

Sacrifice hits—A. Wales.

Base on balls—Dolan 5 Kremer 3.

Struck out—Dolan 4, Kremer 7.

Double plays—Esola to Wolfrom to B. Wales; Esola to B. Wales to Burroughs.

Passed ball—Cunningham.

Time of game—1 hr. 40 m.

Umpire—Nealon.

Scorer—Borba.

Ed. Note:

Eddie Fries is a modest man. Mr. Fries wrote the above story for The Press and nowhere except in the summary does he mention his own name. The San Francisco Bulletin has the following to say of Eddie's playing, however:

"The star of the game was Eddie Fries, former Northwestern League player. Fries played brilliant baseball in the outfield, besides garnering two hits off the delivery of Kremer."

Don't be so bashfull, Eddie, in the future.

WILL BUILD AT ARDEN.

The many friends of Mrs. Clara Tayson will be glad to learn that she is about to build a new residence on the home place at Arden.

COUNTRY CLUB HOLDS ITS ANNUAL MEETING

The annual luncheon and open meeting of the Country Club of Washington Township was held at the club house in Centerille last Tuesday.

A total of about 120 members and visitors sat down to a delicious luncheon at twelve o'clock, and as the tables were cleared Mrs. Kirk, the local president, made a short address of welcome.

The Niles, Hayward and San Leandro clubs were represented by their officers and a number of visitors from other clubs were present.

Mrs. Fisher R. Clark of Stockton, District President of the Federation of Women's Clubs, gave an interesting talk and was followed by Mrs. Langworthy, President of San Leandro, who in a very pleasing manner said that it was an old custom that upon visiting a new home for the first time to bring a gift and on behalf of the ladies of San Leandro she presented the Country Club with a beautiful basket.

Mrs. Carlton Crane of San Jose, brought as her guest, Senor. Peralto of the Bevani Opera Co. of San Francisco and the singer rendered several selections which were greatly appreciated and enjoyed.

One of the features of the program was a playlet entitled "Organizing a Club," which was presented by ten Centerville ladies and showed much hard work and no little ability.

Miss Edna Tyson favored those present with a vocal selection. She was accompanied by Miss Barnard.

Two new members were admitted and six applications received.

The reports of the officers showed the Club to be in a flourishing condition and that the meetings were well attended.

Irvington

Mrs. Will Horn and daughter Margaret are visiting in Stockton.

Dr. and Mrs. Haley Durham were visitors at the Pan-Pacific Exposition last Friday.

Dr. Grimmer has returned from his hunting trip.

Mrs. Harry Cushing entertained at luncheon on Thursday week.

Mrs. L. Sturtevant entertained friend sat lunch last Friday in honor of her guest, Mrs. J. B. Morton of Alameda.

Robert Irvine has the contract for building a new brick block in Centerville on the site of the late fire.

Miss Ruth Vandervoort is teaching at Mowry's Landing public school.

Mr. and Mrs. Driscoll spent a few days of last week in San Francisco.

Several ladies from Irvington attended the annual opening, entertainment and dinner given by the Country Club in their club house at Centerville on Tuesday last.

School opened here Monday under the direction of Principal W. O. Davis. The attendance on opening day was 155.

Decoto

The tomato shipping season has begun in earnest and Decoto promises to hold her own this year again as the banner tomato shipping station in the township. The price is a little lower than last year but the crop is a good one.

Henry May is spending a week at Bartlett Springs.

The Decoto school enjoyed a vacation on Admission Day.

Tuesday was "Strawberry Day" in Decoto. The neighboring strawberry patch near the brick yard was reported "open to the public" without admission. Before the gates were officially closed there was quite a fine crop of the luscious fruit that found its way into a number of homes.

A certain Spring Valley writer has said that Decoto was not interested in the suit against the Spring Valley Water Co. That reminds the editor of The Press of the first lesson he received on the water question in this Township. He used to live on the old Wm. Jung place now owned by Mr. Higgins. One day some dozen years ago the old pump was out of order and the covering of the well was removed. We noticed that the well had once been a dug well and lined to the bottom with brick. In asking Mr. Jung why he bored the well deeper he remarked, "Oh, that was on account of the Spring Valley. Before they took the water out of the creek we always had plenty of water in the old well. After that we had to go down deeper."

That is what first set us thinking on the water question. The old well is right in the heart of the town of Decoto.

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Alvarado

Mr. Kayser and son Vernon went to San Francisco Wednesday to take in the Exposition. They were accompanied by Mr. Kayser's two sisters, who are here on a visit from the East.

Mrs. E. A. Richmond who was confined to her bed for several days this week with a severe attack of tonsilitis is rapidly improving.

Mrs. J. M. Scribner who was quite ill last week was so far recovered as to be able to attend the C. C. luncheon at Centerville Tuesday.

Mr. G. Bay has purchased the Alvarado vegetable stand from Mr. Reilly who has conducted it successfully for the past year.

Mr. T. Bontelho has supplied a long felt want in Alvarado by opening a garage. He will carry a full lines of auto accessories and supplies.

Helwig and La Grave, the enterprising local butchers, have had their shop completely renovated. The painting and varnishing was done by Geo. Beebe.

Gus MacInart of the Hayward Water Co. was an Alvarado visitor Wednesday.

Edgar F. Tainton and family are visitors at the Exposition in San Francisco.

Mrs. Geo. E. Beebe is on a month's visit in Lake County.

C. M. Lyons of Chicago University was a business visitor in Alvarado Wednesday.

SOME INTERESTING THINGS AT THE BIG FAIR

There are several interesting historical exhibits at the Exposition which the boys and girls should not overlook when they go to the Exposition. Besides the Liberty Bell which all make a point to see there is the Lincoln Memorial room in the Illinois building, which is very interesting. Every school boy and girl should look up this room.

The Maryland building has some very interesting historical relics. One, the original letter of George Washington to the Governor of Maryland at the time of the surrender of General Cornwallis, is particularly worth seeing.

The Virginia building, which is itself a reproduction of the Mt. Vernon home contains some things of great interest.

Don't fail to look these things up when you go to the fair the next time.

SPRING VALLEY PROTEST FAILS.

The Board of Supervisors this week levied the water district tax in spite of the protest of the Spring Valley Water Co. At the hearing a week ago Tuesday the attorney for the water district, John T. Mourse, showed the Board very clearly that the Spring Valley attorney's contentions were without merit. The amendment made to the law last winter forestalled the company's objection. The Board of Directors asked for a rate of 13 cents on the $100, but the Board of Supervisors fixed the rate at 16 cents.

As the main work on the collection of data is about completed it is believed that next year's rate will be much lower and will probably be the last that the district will have to ask for.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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Rose Bros. Get Ford Agency

Rose Bros., the popular proprietors of the local garage make the interesting announcement that they are now exclusive agents in Washington Township for FORD automobiles.

They are now busy organizing a salesforce and they will have representitives in every town in the township, but they personaly will stand behind every guarantee.

The new prices quoted on Ford cars F. O. B. Niles are $493.25 for touring cars and $443.25 for runabouts.

PANTAGES

"The Sinking of the Lusitania," Klein's wonderful scenic production, which also introduces the sea fight between the "Eaden" and the "Sidney" is one of the big features of an excellent bill at Pantages Theater in Oakland this week. The manipulation of the miniature boats in the rolling trough of the sea is a splendid bit of mechanical realism, and the climax of the act where the Australian warship defeats the "Emden" is as fine a piece of stagecraft as has been witnessed in vaudeville. Julietta Dika, the celebrated Parisian fashion plate, is the envy of the lady patrons with her array of swagger French frocks. Dika is a charming singer with an abundance of gingery personality which is displayed in her exclusive ballads. Josie Flynn and her merry minstrel girls is another pleasing specialty, and the entire show is above the average.

SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE FARM BUREAU MEETINGS

Murray Township (Livermore) Monday, Sept. 13.

Pleasanton, Thursday, Sept. 16.

Irvington, Tuesday, Sept. 21.

Centerville, Friday, Sept. 24.

Newark, Monday, Sept. 27.

Niles, Wednesday, Sept. 28.